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Subject: RE: Draft Weekend Update

Looks good, thanks.

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Here's the remaining item.

Region 5 Groundwater Sampling Identifies Elevated Nitrate Levels in Juneau County, Wisconsin

Key Message: On July 16, Region 5 will release the results of groundwater testing conducted near a large dairy in Juneau County.

EPA's tests – and others conducted by the county health department -- found elevated levels of nitrates. Region 5 continues to work with Wisconsin DNR to evaluate the results and determine appropriate next steps. Both agencies will attend a county-sponsored public meeting on Tuesday, July 17. Considerable press attention is expected.

From: Kelley, Jeff
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Here's what we've got for the weekend update, please let us know what edits/additions you'd like us to make. (Kurt, there's one more item about an issue you're recused from ... I'll be sending that to Jim separately.)

HOT ISSUES:

EPA Approved Ohio EPA's 2018 Clean Water Act Section 303(d) Impaired Waters List July 9

Key Message: As in its revised 2016 list, Ohio EPA has included the open waters of its portion of Lake Erie for algae-related impairments.

EPA will continue to work closely with the state of Ohio and other stakeholders to ensure that residents continue to have access to safe drinking water and recreation on Lake Erie.

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Regional Administrator Stepp Met with East Chicago Mayor and Representatives of Rep. Visclosky, Sens. Donnelly and Young July 12

Key Message: The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the proposed cleanup plan options for Zone 1 at USS Lead Superfund site.

UPCOMING EVENTS/MAJOR DECISIONS:

Region 5's Superfund Task Force One-Year Anniversary Event to be Held July 24 at the Kalamazoo River/Allied Paper Site

Key Message: The event will consist of remarks by RA Stepp, a site tour and a press availability.

The region will be inviting local elected officials and residents.

RA Stepp to Meet with Michigan Farm Bureau on July 24

Key Message: The visit will include a tour of farms in southwest Michigan.

EPA to Hold a Public Engagement Meeting for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Action Plan III in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on July 18

Key Message: EPA and its federal partners are in the process of developing Action Plan III, which will outline the priorities and goals for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative for the years 2020-2024.